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TO : Director of Central Intelligence
FROM : Chief, Inspection and Security Staff
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

DATE: 15 May 1950

1. I am very desirous of obtaining the exact detail of [REDACTED] (b)(3)
[REDACTED] to this staff for the
period of one year in connection with Project "Valuedbird," which you recently
approved. [REDACTED] is himself a practicing hypnotist and has done
considerable work on the other techniques involved. (b)(6)

2. [REDACTED] is willing to come. He is a Reserve Officer on
active duty and has an office in Washington. All that would be needed would
be for Admiral Clarence Brown to issue orders placing him on a research
assignment in the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery for the period of one year.
[REDACTED] is a flight surgeon but we could arrange for him to continue
to get his flying time. He would not be known as assigned to CIA.

3. Could you be willing to call Admiral Brown and ask him if I could
come over and talk to him about it, or, of course, you may wish to handle the
matter yourself. My idea would be to explain to him our worry over the
possible use of drugs and hypnotics to plant our people in the field and to
stress the need for continuing research on what the dangers are and possible
preventatives.

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